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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), is a Continuation-In-Part application of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP98/05319 filed on November 26, 1998. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

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For: METHOD FOR EXAMINING KIDNEY DISEASES

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Fourth-four (44) pages
- ☒ Four (4) sheet(s) of formal photos *(color)*
- ☐ An assignment of the invention
- ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 with International Search Report
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

- ☐ A statement (☐ Original ☐ Photocopy) to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Sheet
- ☒ Priority of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP98/05319 filed on November 26, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:
- This application is a Continuation-In-Part of PCT International Application No.                      filed on                      , which designated the United States and on which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--
- ☒ Priority of Application No. 9/323684 filed in Japan on November 26, 1997 is claimed under U.S.C. § 119.
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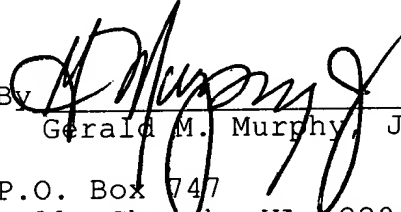
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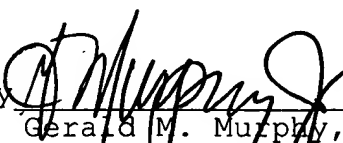
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A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R.  
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